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In re Application of :
Quentin J. Clark et al :
Application No. 10/646,646 :
Filed: August 21, 2003 :
Attorney Docket No. MSFT-2734/305601.01 :

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition, filed February 9, 2006, under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is GRANTED.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on August 29, 2005, in the above-identified application cannot be refunded. If, however, the above-identified application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.¹

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

The examiner of Technology Center AU 2162 will consider the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114.

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¹ The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85(b), which includes the following language thereon: "Commissioner for Patents is requested to apply the Issue Fee and Publication Fee (if any) or re-apply any previously paid issue fee to the application identified above." Petitioner is advised that, whether a fee is indicated as being due or not, the Issue Fee Transmittal Form must be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment. Note the language in bold text on the first page of the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due (PTOL-85).



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Date : February 9, 2006
TO : Director, Office of Patent Publication
FROM : Office of the Deputy Commissioner
for Patent Examination Policy
SUBJECT : withdrawal from Issue of
Applicant(s) :Quentin J. Clark et al
Application No. :10/646,646
Filed :August 21, 2003

The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 6,999,969 and an issue date of February 14, 2006.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicant.

Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of February 14, 2006:

"All reference to Patent No. 6,999,969 to Quentin J. Clark et al of Washington for STORAGE PLATFORM FOR ORGANIZING, SEARCHING, AND SHARING DATA appearing in the Official Gazette of February 14, 2006, should be deleted since no patent was granted."

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